DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: International Trade Administration

Title: Annual Report from Foreign-Trade Zones

OMB Control Number: 0625-0109

Form Number(s): ITA-359P

Type of Request: Regular Submission (revision/extension of a currently approved information collection).

Burden Hours: 10,784 hours

Number of Respondents: 263

Average Hours Per Response: 1 to 76 hours (depending on size and structure of the foreign-trade zone)

Needs and Uses: The Foreign-Trade Zone Annual Report is the vehicle by which Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) grantees report annually to the Foreign Trade Zones Board, pursuant to the requirements of the Foreign Trade Zones Act (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u). The annual reports submitted by grantees are the only complete source of compiled information on FTZ's. The data and information contained in the reports relates to international trade activity in FTZ's. The reports are used by the Congress and the Department to determine the economic effect of the

FTZ program. The reports are also used by the FTZ Board and other trade policy officials to

determine whether zone activity is consistent with U.S. international trade policy, and whether it

is in the public interest. The public uses the information regarding activities carried on in FTZ's

to evaluate their effect on industry sectors. The information contained in annual reports also

helps zone grantees in their marketing efforts.

Affected Public: State, local, or tribal governments or not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits

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instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should

be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to OIRA Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax to

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